

WEDA Young Professional of the Year Award
Nomination Form and Criteria

WEDA's Young Professional of the Year Award recognizes positive contributions toward providing WEDA and/or the dredging community significant value during the past year or recent years.

Nomination Form (two pages maximum)

- Nominee's full name
 - Nominee's age and contact information
 - Nominee's academic background
 - Nominee's employment (current and historical)
 - Nominator's name and contact info (can be self-nominating)
- Background in WEDA and in the Dredging Community
- Contributions to WEDA and/or to the Dredging Community (see criteria)

Criteria:

- 1) Nominee should be 35 years of age or younger as of December 31 of the prior year.
- 2) Member of WEDA at time of nomination submission.
- 3) Award recipient shall be selected by the WEDA Awards Committee based upon review and assessment of the nominations received.
- 4) The examples of accomplishments, contributions, and achievements provided below are not exclusive and are provided as guidance to the qualities to be addressed in the nomination.
 - a. Author of recent dredging industry related technical/scientific paper(s)
 - b. Advancement of dredging technology (e.g., construction, monitoring, design, safety, environmental, or survey)
 - c. Contributions to the WEDA organization
 - d. General achievements and leadership in dredging community
 - e. Significant project accomplishments or milestones
 - f. Mentoring activities. For example, outreach to students in elementary, high school, or college; development/mentoring of a WEDA chapter at a local university/college

Nominees: All nominees for the WEDA Young Professional of the Year Award will receive a one-time one-year free membership to WEDA.

The Winner: WEDA Young Professional of the Year

- The winner is expected to accept the award in person in the Summit.
- The award recipient will receive a plaque, and be recognized on the WEDA website, in a press release, and in an email to all WEDA members.
- The winner will receive a one-year free membership to WEDA.

Deadline for Nominations: Submit by April 19, 2024, to Stevge Shaw, Chair of WEDA's Award Committee. scshaw@sevenson.com